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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 00-714-G)

In re Application of: )  
Chad A. Mirkin, et al. )  
Serial No. 09/830,620 )  
Filed: November 30, 1999 )  
For: NANOPARTICLES WITH )  
POLYMER SHELLS )

) Examiner: Robert D. Harlan  
) Group Art Unit: 1713  
) Confirmation No. 9430

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the outstanding Office Action dated February 12, 2004. A Petition for an extension of time (three months) and requisite fee are attached herewith. Please amend the application as shown below.

An "Amendment to the claims" section can be found on page 2.

A "Remarks" section can be found on page 10.

An Appendix A is attached.

Copies of an Information disclosure statement, 3<sup>rd</sup> Supp. IDS, 5<sup>th</sup> Supp. IDS, 12<sup>th</sup> Supp. IDS and 13<sup>th</sup> Supp. IDS are attached.